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Common Council Sends City of Buffalo 2022-2023 Snow Removal Plan to Community Development Committee for Further Discussion

Buffalo, **N.Y.** - The Buffalo Common Council was given the City of Buffalo 2022-2023 Snow Removal Plan by the Department of Public Works, Parks, and Streets before the Buffalo Common Council meeting on Tuesday, November 1, 2022.

In the plan, the Department of Public Works, Parks, and Streets outlined a new GPS "Snow Fighting" Tracking System for City of Buffalo residents to use to view the estimated time frames of snow plowing services in the area. The tracking software can be found at www.buffalony.gov/snowfleet and residents are also able to call 311 for assistance if they do not have the ability to go online and track the snow plowing services in their area.

Other components of the 2022-2023 Snow Removal Plan include:

- Department's goal is to have every street (main and residential) in the City plowed, at least once, within 24 hours after the end of a snow event
- DWP will have three (3) salt spreaders with plows to be used on main streets, viaducts, and school crossings
- DWP will have two (2) high-lifts with plows for residential side streets (3 for West Side area)
- One (1) high-lift with bucket will be used for snow removal on dead-end streets, bus stops, and at school bus stops
- The 2022-23 budget has allocated \$260,000 for outside contractors to assist in snow fighting operations
- DWP wants to remind residents that the NYS Thruway, Route 33, I-198, and the Elm-Oak arterial are the responsibility of the NYSDOT and the Thruway Authority

Representatives from the Department of Public Works will address and answer questions from the Council at the next Community Development Committee meeting on Wednesday, November 9, 2022 at 1:00PM. You can review the 2022-2023 City of Buffalo Snow Plan here.